REMARKS

The application has been reviewed in light of the Final Office Action dated November 18, 2004. Claims 1, 7-10, and 16-21 are now pending in this application. It is gratefully acknowledged that Claims 16-21 have been allowed, and that the Examiner has found allowable subject matter in Claims 3, 4, and 7-10. As indicated above, Claim 1 has been amended, and Claims 2-6 have been cancelled without prejudice.

In the Office Action, the Examiner has rejected Claims 1-2 and 5-6 under 35 U.S.C.§103(a) as being unpatentable over the applicant's admitted prior art (*AAPA*) in view of *Gray et al.* (U.S. 6,473,419 B1).

As indicated above, Claim 1 has been amended to recite wherein the parameter value includes at least one of a length and a generation frequency of the user data, i.e., the allowable subject matter of Claims 3 and 4. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that independent Claim 1 is patentably distinct from any of the Examiner's cited art, either alone or in combination. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of Claim 1 be withdrawn.

Without conceding the patentability per se of the dependent claims, it is respectfully submitted that they are likewise patentable by virtue of their dependencies on their respective independent claims. Thus, reconsideration and allowance of Claims 7-10 is respectfully requested. As indicated above, Claims 16-21 have been allowed.

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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now pending in the application, namely, Claims 1, 7-10 and 16-21, are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration and allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone or personal interview may facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner is respectfully requested to phone Applicants' attorney at the number indicated below.

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